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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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23312-1001

In re Application of Robert M. Ford

Application Number 09/330,446 Filed 06/11/1999
For SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING TIER-PRICED
COMMODITY TRANSACTIONS
Group Art Unit 3623 Examiner Meinecke Diaz, S.

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